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1. SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE FOR TRADE NEGOTIATIONS ANNOUNCED JULY 10 THAT THE PRESIDENT HAS DECIDED, IN LIGHT OF THE RECENT CURRENCY REALIGNMENTS WHICH HAVE BROUGHT ABOUT MAJOR UNCLASSIFIED

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IMPROVEMENTS IN THE TERMS OF COMPETITION BETWEEN UNITED

STATES PRODUCED GOODS AND IMPORTS, THAT TARIFF RELIEF FOR THE BRASS WIND MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS INDUSTRY IS NOT NECESSARY.

2. THE PRESIDENT'S DECISION FOLLOWED HIS REVIEW OF THE TARIFF COMMISSION'S REPORT ON ITS ESCAPE CLAUSE INVESTIGATION, UNDERTAKEN ON RECEIPT OF A PETITION FILED BY CERTAIN FIRMS AND WORKERS ON BEHALF OF THE BRASS-WIND INSTRUMENT INDUSTRY FOR TARIFF RELIEF FROM IMPORTS, PRIMARILY STUDENT TRUMPETS FROM JAPAN. IN THE COMMISSION'S REPORT, THREE COMMISSIONERS FOUND A THREAT OF INJURY TO THE INDUSTRY FROM IMPORTS AND RECOMMENDED AN INCREASE IN DUTY FROM 10 TO 20 PERCENT. THIS RECOMMENDATION WAS MADE PRIOR TO THE FEBRUARY DEVALUATION OF THE DOLLAR AND THE SUBSEQUENT FLOATING OF THE JAPANESE YEN. THE OTHER THREE COMMISSIONERS FOUND NO INJURY OR THREAT THEREOF. IN TIE VOTE CASES, THE PRESIDENT

IS AUTHORIZED BY SECTION 330(D) OF THE TARIFF ACT OF 1930 TO ACCEPT THE FINDINGS OF EITHER GROUP OF COMMISSIONERS AS THE FINDINGS OF THE COMMISSION. IN THIS CASE, THE PRESIDENT ACCEPTED THE FINDINGS OF THE THREE COMMISSIONERS WHO FOUND NO INJURY OR THREAT THEREOF.

3. US MISSIONS GENEVA AND PARIS ARE REQUESTED TO INFORM GATT AND OECD SECRETARIATS. OTHER ADDRESSEES SHOULD INFORM HOST GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS AS THEY DEEM APPROPRIATE. ROGERS

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